

creased production of their principle staple, both here and in other parts of the world; but your committee refrain from touching further on this subject. They cannot perceive that the people of South Carolina have any constitutional cause of complaint. If there is distress among them it is a matter in which we deeply sympathise. But if in the due administration of the general government, any measure has borne hardly upon them, we know of but one remedy under the constitution and the laws, and that is in the exercise of the elective franchise.

Your committee abstain from the expression of any hopes or wishes on this subject, they lament the delusion under which they believe a portion of the people of that State labor. But they are free to say, that as the people of this State were the first to adopt the present government, they will be the last to abandon it; and that whenever and wherever the exigency may arise they will be found on the side of the Constitution and the Country.

Your Committee therefore report the following Resolutions:

WHEREAS, a Convention of the people of the State of South Carolina, has undertaken by an Ordinance passed in November last, to declare, certain acts of Congress for imposing duties and imposts on the importation of foreign commodities, null and void, and not binding on the State, its officers and citizens; and has prohibited the enforcement of those laws within the limits of that State, and has also prohibited any appeal from the decisions of the State Courts, wherein the authority of the ordinance shall be drawn in question, to the United States' Courts: And whereas, this measure has been communicated by order of the Convention to the governor of this State, for the purpose of being laid before the Legislature, and it is expedient that the sense of the people of this State should be expressed in relation thereto—Therefore,

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met,* That the Constitution of the United States is not a treaty or compact between sovereign States, but a form of government emanating from, and established by, the authority of the people of the United States of America.

*Resolved,* That the Government of the United States, although one of limited powers, is Supreme within its sphere, and that the people of the United States owe to it an alle-